national interests in accordance with its own threat perceptions.

Area under Illegal Occupation of China

3281. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
SHRI ONKAR SINGH LAKHAWAT:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total sector-wise Indian area under illegal occupation of China;

(b) whether there has been any discussion on vacation of this area by China during the India-China talks which have taken place during the last few years; and

(c) if so, the broad details of the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) The part of Indian territory under illegal occupation by China in the State of Jammu & Kashmir has an area of approximately 38,000 sq. kms. In addition, under the so-called Sino-Pakistan Boundary Agreement' of 1963 Pakistan illegally ceded 5,180 sq. Kms. of Indian territory in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir to China.

(b) and (c) India and China are committed to work towards a fair, reasonable and mutually acceptable settlement of the boundary question. Both countries are discussing the boundary question in the framework of the India-China Joint Working Group and India-China Expert Group. The Agreement on Maintenance of Border Peace and Tranquillity, signed in 1993, and the Agreement on Confidence Building Measures, signed in November 1996, contribute to maintenance of peace and tranquillity in the border areas.

Pica of U.S. Congressman for keeping Pakistan on Terrorism watch list

3282. SHRI R AMD AS AGARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published in the Hindustan Times, dated 15th June, 1998 captioned "Congressman Frank" Pallon assails Pak for support to militants in Jammu and Kashmir-Plea to place Islamabad on terrorism watch list." and

(b) if so, whether Government have drawn the attention of the US and other friendly democratic countries on the heinous role of Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence directorate in the recent wave of violence against innocent Hindu civilians in Jammu indicating month-wise killings for the last six months, particularly in Jammu?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE):

(a) Government's attention has been drawn to the captioned news-item published in the Hindustan Times of June 25,1998.

(b) Government have been drawing the attention of the Government of United States and other friendly governments, through bilateral and multilateral forums to the issue of Pakistan sponsored terrorism in Jammu & Kashmir and other parts of India. The recent wave of violence against innocent civilians in Jammu & Kashmir has also been brought to their attention.

Observations made at P-5 Meeting of the Security Council

3283. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the 'P-5' meeting of the Security Council held in Geneva in June this year consdiered ways and means to